

FAVERSHAM PORT SANITARY
AUTHORITY.

Annual Report of Medical Officer of Health for
Year 1907.

No cases of illness of a serious nature and no case of infectious disease have occurred on board the vessels in the Port of Faversham during the past year. No deaths have happened from any cause. There has not yet been any definite arrangement made for the reception and treatment of cases of infectious disease. If a formal arrangement was made with the Isolation Hospitals in the neighbourhood for the admission of cases should necessity arise, it would meet the case and save the erection of a separate building.

The number of vessels arriving in the Port of Faversham is 8,045, as against 8,714 in the year 1906. This includes the Creeks of Faversham, Milton, Conyer and Oare, and shews a marked decrease in the number of arrivals. Of these there were 21 from foreign ports, against 13 in the previous year. All these came into Faversham Creek.

Number of Inspections during the year:

By Inspector. By Medical Officer

Faversham	386	39
Milton	1062	90
Conyer	61	23
Oare	452	47
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1961	199	

During the inspection various minor defects have been noted, affecting questions of ventilation and lighting chiefly. These have been notified to the owners and attended to. The water supply has been found satisfactory.

The number of foreign vessels is small, chiefly consisting of timber ships from Baltic and Swedish ports, also a few from nearer Continental ports. There are a few arrivals from British ports with railway material, slates, or granite for road making. The barge traffic has fallen off owing to the closing of some of the brickfields.

I append a separate report on Milton Creek by the Medical Officer for that part of the district.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL
OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE MILTON
CREEK PORTION OF FAVERSHAM
PORT (SANITARY AUTHORITY).

To the Faversham Port Sanitary Authority.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,— During the past year I have made periodical visits to the Milton Creek and have, in conjunction with your Sanitary Inspector, inspected a number (approx 90) of the crafts. For the type of vessel using the creek and the nature of goods carried, see annual report 1906.

The sanitary condition of the crafts continues satisfactory. No foreign craft has arrived at the creek during the year. The craft using this creek are well known to your officials. 1064 inspections were made during the year and every boat using the creek was inspected during the year. Altogether there were 6,426 arrivals noted here.

Infectious disease; No notification was received during the year of any case of infectious disease on board any of the barges.

Defects found, generally as to cleansing of water tanks, cabins, or of broken skylights, were complied with by the owners. I have no suggestions to make for the benefit of the health of the bargees.

Yours faithfully,

T. BARRETT HEGGS.

January 14th, 1908.

